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Art Unit 2872 Mail Stop Amendment

Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 10/625,704; Filed: July 24, 2003

Diffractive Optical Element and Method of Making Same

Inventor:

Ronald Wilklow

Our Ref:

1857.1920000

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Amendment And Response to Restriction Requirement; and
- 2. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendment And Response to Restriction Requirement

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 9, 2004, Applicant submits the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.